जीवन रेखा एक्सप्रेस अस्पताल

*298. श्री रंजना रंजन साहू : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जीवन रेखा एक्सप्रेस अस्पताल प्रति वर्ष कितने लोगों को इलाज कर पाने की स्थिति में होगा; और

(ख) इस अस्पताल का परिचालन-क्षेत्र क्या है ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी०के० जाफर शरीफ): (क) इम्पेक्ट इंडिया फाउंडेशन का विचार है कि ग्रामीण क्षेत्र में रहने वाले कई हजार लोगों के चलते-फिरते अस्पताल में इलाज किया जाए ।

(ख) प्रथम चरण में यह बिहार राज्य में बड़ी रेल लाइन वाले क्षेत्रों में कार्य करेगा ।

India Tourism Year, 1991

*299. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the year 1991 is being observed as India Tourism Year;

(b) if so, what special plans have been drawn in this connection by the Railways;

(c) what special steps have been taken to ensure punctuality of trains and basic amenities to travelling public; and

(d) the results if any, achieved so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) While all measures taken to serve passenger traffic facilitate rail travel by tourists, some measures of particular interest for tourist traffic are manufacure of new air-conditioned metre gauge rake for Palace on Wheels train; strengthening of reservation facilities including extended working hours at International Tourist Bureau, New Delhi; introduction of new trains, printing of 'logo on tourism' on the back of computerised tickets and free display of tourism posters in railway premises, etc.

(c) Maintaining punctuality of trains and upkeep of passenger amenities is a continous on-going process.

(d) Punctuality that had suffered in the recent past is now on the upswing.

दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना और मदर डेरी द्वारा उत्पादित दूध में चिकनाई की मात्रा में कमी

*300. डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन :
श्री रणजीत सिंह :

क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गत कुछ महीनों में दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना और मदर डेरी द्वारा उत्पादित दूध में चिकनाई की मात्रा कम कर दी गई है जिससे उसकी गुणवत्ता पर असर पड़ा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस दूध में चिकनाई की मात्रा कितनी है और क्या परिणामस्वरूप दूध के मूल्य भी कम कर दिए गए हैं और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि दूध की वर्तमान गुणवत्ता एक औसत स्वस्थ व्यक्ति के स्वास्थ्य की सुरक्षा करने के लिए पर्याप्त नहीं है और यह दुग्ध नियंत्रण आदेश का भी उल्लंघन करता है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इन संगठनों को दूध में चिकनाई की मात्रा बढ़ाकर 3 प्रतिशत करने हेतु निदेश देगी; और

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

कृषि मंत्री (श्री बलराम जाखड) : (क) और (ख) दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना द्वारा बेचे जाने वाले दूध की गुणवत्ता खाद्य अपमिश्रण निवारण अधिनियम के तहत

निर्धारित मानकों के अनुरूप है । मुख्यत दिल्ली में दो प्रकार के दूध बेचे जाते हैं; दिल्ली दुग्ध योजना टोण्ड दूध बेचती है जिसमें 3% वसा तथा 8.5% अवसीय पिंड (एस.एन.एफ.) होता है और मदर डेरी डबल टोण्ड दूध बेचती है जिसमें 105% वसा तथा 9% अवसीय पिंड (एस.एन. एफ.) होता है ।

(ग) जी, नहीं ।

(घ) और (ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Allocation of Essential Commodities to Kerala

£1722. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of rice, wheat, palmolien, sugar and maida allocated to Kerala during the last fifteen months for ration distribution; and

(b) whether any further increase is proposed to be made in the coming months and if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Maida is not allocated to the States/UTs from the Central Pool for distribution through Public Distribution System. A Statement giving the required information in respect of rice, wheat, Palmolein and Sugar is, however, attached. (*See* Appendix 159, Annexure No. 50]

(b) Rice and Wheat

The allocations of rice and wheat for P.D.S. are made on a month to month basis taking into account the overall availability of stocks, relative needs of various States, Market availability and other related factors. An ad-hoc additional allocation of 20,000 tonnes of rice has, however, been made to Kerala for the month of August, 1991.

Palmolein: No regular allocation of imported edible oils under PDS to States/UTs has been made since April, 1991 due to suspension of import on account of foreign exchange constraints. Allocations in future will depend upon the availability of foreign exchange for import of edible oils.

SUGAR: The allotment of sugar to most of the States/UTs is made on the basis of a uniform norm of ensuring minimum 435 gms. per capita monthly availability for the projected population as on 1-10-86. No change in these norms is contemplated. However, it has been decided to allow 5 per cent ad-hoc increase in the monthly levy sugar quotas of every State/UT from August, 1991 which will continue upto December, 1991.

£ Previously Unstarred Question No. 699, Transferred from 25-7-91.

Rise in Agricultural Labour

£ £1723. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of rise in agricultural labour both male and female at the end of the Seventh Plan period with the break-figures;

(b) what is the percentage of decline in the self-employment programme at the end of the Seventh Plan period and the current plan period;

(c) what are the names of States where disparities in the minimum wages continue to exist in the unorganised rural workers and

(d) what steps are contemplated by Government in this direction?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH CHATOWAR): (a) & (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) and (d) Each State Government is an appropriate Government under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 for fixation/revision of wakes for most of the scheduled employments under its territorial jurisdiction. The problem of inter-State disparity in the minimum wages has been

£ £ Previously Unstarred Question No. 681, Transferred from 25-7-91.